



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services



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September 15, 2004

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RE: LACONIA, IRWIN MARINE, EXISTING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK
FACILITY (UST # A-0111703) (DES # 199104014)

Dear Mr. Wright:

This correspondence is to notify you that the Non-compliance and Permit Revocation letter you received dated September 10, 2004 incorrectly referred to the document as NCPR # 04-045. The correct number for the document you received is NCPR # 04-049. Please use this number in any correspondence with the Department on this matter.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. If there are any questions concerning the above, I may be contacted at the Waste Management Division at (603) 271-0686.

Sincerely,


Mark A. Antonia, P.E.

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**NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE and
PERMIT REVOCATION – NCPR # 04-049**

RE: LACONIA, IRWIN MARINE, EXISTING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FACILITY
(UST #A- 0111703) (DES # 199104014)

Dear Mr. Wright:

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services ("DES") is hereby notifying you that the above-referenced facility, located at 958 Union Avenue, Laconia, NH is not in compliance with New Hampshire Code of Administrative Rules Env-Wm 1401, regulating Underground Storage Facilities. On August 7, 2003 a DES inspector conducted a compliance audit at the facility. A written document, describing the deficiencies was provided to the facility representative. This document required the facility be returned to compliance within 45 days, and DES be notified of the corrective measures taken. Compliance has not been achieved. **Failure to achieve compliance with the following deficiencies within 90 days from the date of this Notice of Non-Compliance and Permit Revocation ("Notice") will result in revocation of your Permit-to-Operate on November 4, 2004. This letter contains important compliance and procedural information. Please read it carefully.**

Env-Wm 1401.32 Corrosion Protection for Steel Tanks

Env-Wm 1401.32(i)(2) considers a tank to be cathodically protected when a minimum of 100 mV of cathodic polarization has been maintained. DES has determined that a minimum of 100 mV of cathodic polarization was not maintained on the tank. A minimum of 100 mV of cathodic polarization must be maintained on the 4,000-gallon gasoline UST. The formation or decay of polarization can be used to satisfy this criterion.

2. Env-Wm 1401.33 Corrosion Protection for Piping

Env-Wm 1401.33(b) requires all existing piping that routinely contains regulated substances and is in contact with the soil or other backfill material to be protected from corrosion. DES has determined that metal piping exists and that it is not protected from corrosion. A corrosion protection plan for the piping must be submitted for approval to DES. The plan must be prepared by a corrosion protection expert.

In addition, Env-Wm 1401.10(a) requires owners of underground storage facilities for oil to maintain financial responsibility for costs associated with cleanup of releases from systems, the implementation of corrective measures, and compensation for third party damages in the amount equal to or greater than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. Env-Wm 1401.10(c) provides that the financial responsibility requirement may be satisfied if the owner is eligible for reimbursement of costs associated with cleanup of releases from the Oil Discharge and Disposal Cleanup Fund ("the Fund"). Eligibility for the Fund is contingent upon achieving and maintaining compliance with statutory (RSA 146-C) and regulatory (Env-Wm 1401) requirement. This facility has not achieved compliance, consequently, the Fund is not available to you as a financial responsibility mechanism.

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In accordance with RSA 146-C:4 and Env-Wm 1401.07(a), no person shall own or operate an underground storage facility without a permit issued by DES. Within 30 days from the date of the permit revocation the facility shall be closed in accordance with Env-Wm 1401.18 for permanent closure.

Based on the compliance deficiencies described above, DES believes this facility poses a potential substantial threat to the surface and groundwater of the state. Therefore, in accordance with RSA 146-C:4 and Env-Wm 1401.09, if compliance as requested above is not achieved within ninety (90) days of the date of this Notice your Permit-to-Operate (UST Permit # 0111703) shall be revoked effective **November 4, 2004**. Within thirty (30) days of the date of permit revocation all regulated substances must be removed from the UST systems at this facility. If the facility achieves compliance during the ninety (90) day period, it is necessary that documentation be submitted to DES verifying that compliance has been attained.

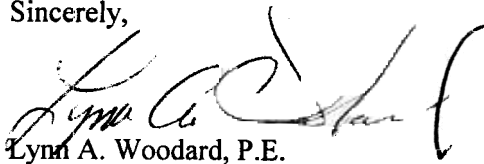
You have the right to a hearing to contest these allegations before the proposed license action is taken. The hearing would be a formal adjudicative proceeding pursuant to RSA 541-A:31, at which you and any witnesses you may call would have the opportunity to present testimony and evidence as to why the proposed action should not be taken. All testimony at the hearing would be under oath and would be subject to cross-examination. If you wish to have a hearing, one will be scheduled promptly.

RSA 541-A:31 III(e) provides that you have the right to have an attorney present to represent yourself at your own expense. If the Permit is an occupational license, under RSA 541-A:31, III(f) you have the right to request DES to provide a certified shorthand court reporter at your own expense. **Such request must be submitted in writing at least 10 days prior to the proceeding.**

You may waive your right to a hearing. If you waive the hearing, DES is prepared to proceed with the actions as stated above. You should notify DES of your decision by filling out and returning the enclosed form.

If there are any questions concerning the above, may be contacted at the Waste Management Division at (603) 271-1165.

Sincerely,



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